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09/747,070	12/22/2000	Thomas Matthew McCann	1322/28/3

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- o The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- o To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- o The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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Application Number	09/747,070
Filing Date	December 22, 2000
First Named Inventor	McCann, Thomas M.
Examiner Name	Not Assigned
Group Art Unit	2661
Attorney Docket No.	1322/28/3

METHOD OF PAYMENT

1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any overpayments to:

Deposit Account Number
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☐ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed:

☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee (\$)		
101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 0.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims - 20** = X =
Independent Claims - 3** = X =
Multiple Dependent =

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee (\$)		
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	80	209	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 0.00

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	130
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	390
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) _____

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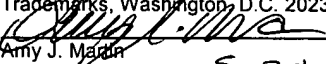
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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/747,070 for METHODS
AND SYSTEMS FOR ROUTING MESSAGES IN A
COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK
Our File No. 1322/28/3

Sir:

Enclosed please find the following:

1. A Response to Notice to File Missing Parts (2 pages);
2. Petition for a 2-Month Extension of Time (1 page);
3. Fee Transmittal (1 page), in duplicate;
4. An executed Declaration (4 pages);
5. Recordation Form Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595) (2 pages);
6. An executed Assignment (3 pages);.
7. A check in the amount of \$560.00;
8. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts (1 page); and

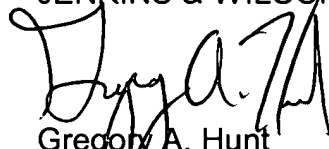
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9. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to our offices with the U.S. Patent and Trademark filing stamp thereon.

Please contact our offices if there are any questions with this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: McCann et al.

Group Art Unit: 2661

Serial No.: 09/747,070

Examiner: Not Assigned

Filed: December 22, 2000

Docket No.: 1322/28/3

For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR ROUTING MESSAGES IN A
COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS - FILING DATE GRANTED**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted"
dated February 9, 2001, and having a period for response set to expire on April 9, 2001,
please find enclosed the following:

1. An original executed Declaration for the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application;
2. An original executed Assignment and related Recordation Form Cover Sheet for the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application; and
3. A check in the amount of \$560.00 (\$130.00 representing the Missing Parts surcharge fee, \$40.00 representing the Assignment recordation fee, and \$390.00 representing the 2-Month Extension of Time fee).

A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts is being filed simultaneously.

Appln. No. 09/747,070

Although a check is being submitted herewith, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayments in connection with the filing of this Response to Deposit Account No. 50-0426.

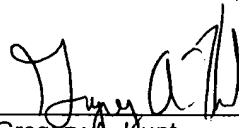
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